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## FLAT FOOTED DENIAL.

Minister Willis Say "No" to Kainani Rumor.

He Heard it First in Honolulu—Whole Thing is a Canard—Without an iota of Faith.

The Honolulu correspondence of the San Francisco Chronicle under date of August 29 contains the following:

"United States Minister Willis has resumed the duties of his office. A well defined rumor has it that his recent visit to the United States was for the purpose of conferring with President Cleveland on an annexation policy. As a result of the conference it is said that Willis was empowered to enter into negotiations for either annexation or a monarchical form of government, with Kailani on the throne, or an American protectorate—the choice of either form of government to be left to a vote of the people.

"Nothing definite will be known regarding Cleveland's intentions until the return of President Dole, who is on the island of Maui at present."

As these rumors have been circulated very freely about town of late, an Advertiser representative called on Minister Willis last evening to inquire whether or no there was any foundation for the story.

Minister Willis gave a very prompt denial, and stated that there was absolutely no truth in the statements made. Since his return, he said, he had heard the rumors, and that was the first he had ever heard of it. There was nothing in his instructions or in his talk with the officials here or in Washington that touched upon the matter or contemplated any such action. In closing his remarks Minister Willis said:

"The story is not true, and I have no idea how it started."

## NOVELIST'S WIDOW WON.

Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson Acts as Her Own Lawyer.

Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson, widow of the dead novelist, who sought health and recreation here some time ago, has made a record for herself as an attorney since returning to her home at Apia, Samoa, says the San Francisco Examiner. When Mrs. Stevenson left the island she confided the care of her beautiful home at Vaillima to one R. T. Chatfield, the editor of a paper at Apia. He was to look after the house and grounds under an arrangement made with Lloyd Osborne, a son of the widow. She intended to remain away for a period of four months, but extended this time to thirteen months.

On her return to Vaillima Editor Chatfield presented the lady with a bill of \$400 as caretaker of the property. This sum she considered excessive and refused to pay. Chatfield brought an action and the case was heard before that august personage, the High Commissioner of Samoa.

Mrs. Stevenson conducted her own case. She cross examined all the witnesses and kept Editor Chatfield writhing on the anxious seat for three quarters of an hour. The case ended by the High Commissioner cutting the claim of the editor in half, which amount the defendant paid.

## ROYALISTS ARE PASSIVE.

No Plots for Revolution in Hawaii Hatching in San Francisco.

The presence in the city of a number of prominent royalists from Hawaii has given rise to rumors of a royalist plot centering around Kailani, but investigation proves the separate mission of each of them to be one of peace, unconnected with political cabal.

E. C. Macfarlane and W. F. Macfarlane, who have been publicly mentioned in this connection, are said to be in the city making purchases of liquor.

Judge Widemann is in the city, with his daughter, who is soon to be married at Honolulu, selecting a trousseau for the prospective bride.

Nawahi, a native of the islands, is ill of consumption, having been sent here by his friends to recuperate. At present he is at the Occidental Hotel, unable to leave his room.

Antone Fernandez, another native, has gone to Utah to become a Mormon elder, and is under engagement to Kealakihoua, a Mormon elder residing in the Hawaiian settlement in Skull Valley, with no thought of returning to his native land.—San Francisco Chronicle.

## The Good Work Goes On.

The promoters of the street numbering scheme are much pleased with the kindly reception given them by the public in general. They have so far covered the entire business portion of the town and two or three of the principal residence streets. They wish it to be understood that they had given a guarantee to the effect that no portion of Honolulu, including Waikiki, Makiki, Kalihi and the slopes of Punchbowl (in fact every single street that is laid out on the government maps) will be left out. Every 25 feet will be assigned a number whether it is occupied by a structure or not. The mercantile community, especially those who deliver goods, appreciate the value of having all the houses numbered.

## An Ancient Image.

On the Inter-Island wharf yesterday morning was standing a crate in shape resembling a coffin. On inquiry it was found to contain "Waiannuene," an ancient wooden "fish" god. It is a heavy piece of koa or other native hard wood, and stands some six feet high, tapering away at one end, resembling the tail of a fish. In the center of the piece of wood and standing out a foot to eighteen inches in relief is the head, all carved from one solid block.

The ancient "god" was dug up in some marsh land on Kealia plantation by Japanese who were preparing the place for rice. The idol was sold by them to John H. Coney, Deputy Sheriff at Lihue, who in turn parted with it to Hon. G. N. Wilcox. That gentleman brought the relic from Kauai with him yesterday morning on board the Mikahala. It will be placed in the Bishop Museum. S. M. Damon was instrumental in getting the idol for this purpose.

## AGAINST LIQUOR LICENSE.

Y. M. C. A. Begins Work on the Waikiki Proposition.

Petitions against granting a liquor license at Waikiki were circulated in the Central Union, Methodist, Christian and Native churches yesterday. The petition, which was drawn up by W. R. Castle and is being circulated by the Y. M. C. A., reads as follows:

"To the Honorable J. A. King, Minister of the Interior:

"Sir—The undersigned, having learned that a petition is in circulation for the granting of a retail liquor license to be located at the Peacock premises on the Waikiki road, opposite the Waikiki Church, respectfully represent that in their opinion the opening of a saloon at that place will tend to lower the present tone of said locality, to invite disorder and rowdiness, and will decrease the value of property in the neighborhood. For these reasons, as well as many others, they pray that no license be granted for said neighborhood."

Copies were placed in the Central Union, Methodist, Christian and Native churches yesterday and some 150 signatures obtained. Today the Y. M. C. A. will make a canvass of the business districts and the residents at Waikiki. Among those whose names appear on the petition are the following: W. D. Alexander, W. R. Castle, Jonathan Shaw, J. M. Whitney, Alex. Young, James Lyle, A. B. Wood, Judge De La Vergne, Judge Frear, Prof. Richards, Henry Waterhouse, T. G. Thrum, W. A. Bowen and W. W. Hall.

## Fashion Magazine.

The Delineator for September is the finest number yet issued of this great fashion magazine. It is the Herald of Autumn styles and contains no less than nine beautiful colored plates of fashions and millinery in lithograph, half tone and oleograph effects. Nothing like it has ever been attempted before, and at its subscription price of \$1.50 per year, it is more than ever a marvel. Subscription received at Mrs. Hanna's.

Professor Seymour, chairman of the Yale academic examination department, says that 370 students will be admitted to that institution in the fall. This will be a considerable increase over last year's admissions.

There are, says the Figaro, at least 200 horse-butcher shops in Paris. The first one dates from July 1, 1866, since when the consumption has grown continuously. In 1872 5034 horses were eaten in Paris; in 1878, 10,000; in 1894, 21,227; in 1895, more than 20,000. A still larger growth of the "hippophagic habit" is possible, as automobiles and bicycles take the place of horses.

From all indications the price of bananas will take a sudden leap upward in the very near future. The men who own and control the Cuban banana industry have been compelled to cease shipments from their plantations, and practically no more bananas will be received at United States ports from Cuba for some time.

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"In a report just issued, General Zurlinden, the French Minister of War, reviews the progress made in the army since 1886, in point of prophylactic measures. The most striking results are still as they were in Mr. de Freycinet's reports from 1889 to 1892, those relating to typhoid fever. In 1886 the number of cases of this disease was 7,771, being over 14 per 1,000; in 1894 it was 3,060, being under 6 per 1,000; a reduction obtained by an almost progressive decrease in each year. This result is shown by a detailed examination of the circumstances of those stations where the reduction has occurred to have invariably followed on the purification of the drinking water supplies. The report instances twenty-nine of the garrisons most subject in earlier years of typhoid fever, in each of which the introduction of an uncontaminated water supply has been followed by the disappearance of the disease, except in isolated cases, the majority of which were shown to have been contracted outside the barracks. In those cases where a new water supply has been provided, and the water was drunk UNFILTERED, epidemics followed from time to time on the contamination of the source, and disappeared on the application of PASTEUR FILTERS.

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